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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

NATALIE REESER,

Plaintiff,

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Case No. 2:14-cv-11916-GCS-MJH

Hon. George Caram Steeh

HENRY FORD HOSPITAL,

Defendant.

DEPOSITION OF JILL HOOD

Taken by the Plaintiff on the 5th day of May, 2015, at the office of Keith D. Flynn, 600 W. Lafayette Blvd., Detroit, Michigan at 10:00 a.m.

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1	coverage reasons?	1	Q And do you know how it's determined?
2	MR. MIGLIO: Objection. She said she	2	A I do not.
3	didn't make the picks, so the question is totally	3	Q Do you know how often the schedule is changed for
4	THE WITNESS: Yeah. That was not within	4	the labs?
5	the realm of my scope, so I don't know why the	5	A I do not.
6	decisions for the selections were made.	6	Q Did you ever ask how often it's changed?
7	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Okay, and you didn't follow up or	7	A I did not.
8	ask about the reason for the selection?	8	Q Did you ever ask how the schedule is determined?
9	A No.	9	A I did not.
10	MR. MIGLIO: Asked and answered.	10	Q And did you ever ask what criteria might be involved
11	REPORTER: I'm sorry. Your answer?	11	in changing the schedule?
12	THE WITNESS: No.	12	A I did not.
13	Q (By Mr. Flynn) What is the procedure for requesting	13	Q Who has the authority to determine who receives a
14	a transfer?	14	lunch period in the labs?
	MR. MIGLIO: Objection to the form. Are	15	A It is based on the number of hours that they work,
15		16	whether or not it iswe have a break and mealtime
16	you asking her in the labs, in the system?	17	policy. So it's outlined in that break and mealtime
17	MR. FLYNN: Lab.	18	policy by the number of hours that they work.
18	MR. MIGLIO: Hospital? What?	19	Q Okay. So for instance, if someone has eight hours,
19	THE WITNESS: The employee would speak	1	
20	with the manager, Fiona Bork, and have a	20	would they be entitled to a lunch period?
21	conversation with her about that request.	21	A Yes.
22	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Any other procedure involved to it?	22	Q What would that lunch period entail?
23	A Not that I am aware of.	23	A It would entail two 15-minute breaks that are paid
24	Q And what is the criteria for granting such a	24	by the company, and one half-an-hour break.
25	request?	25	Q Is the half-an-hour break paid or unpaid?
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1	A I do not know that. It's not something that I was	1	A It is unpaid.
2	privy to.	2	Q If a break is unpaid, does that mean that the
3	Q Is there a written policy on point regarding	3	individual has to remain at the facility?
4	transfers?	4	A It depends on the facility.
5	A In the lab, I have not seen one.	5	Q So if a break is unpaid, you may still require an
6	Q Are there written policies outside the lab?	6	employee to remain at the facility?
7	A If a person wanted to transfer to a different job,	7	A If the break is unpaidlet me think about that a
8	then yes, it would be, you know, the process of	8	second.
9	applying for a new job, but as far as transferring,	9	Q Take your time.
10	it would all be within that same recruitment.	10	A So if it is unpaid and they are mandated to remain
11	You know, if the person wanted to transfer	11	at the facility, then we would need to pay them for
12	to Wyandotte, they would go through Recruitment.	12	their time.
13	Q Got you. So you have no role in deciding transfers?	13	Q What if an employee is told that they are not to be
14		14	paid for lunch? Would they still be required to
15		15	remain at the facility?
16	Q Who is responsible for determining the hours	16	A It would depend on the circumstances as to why they
	employees work in the labs?  A Fiona.	17	were told that they were not getting paid for lunch.
17		18	Q What circumstances are you thinking of?
18	*	19	A I guess that would be my question to you. I guess I
19	questioned in that respect?	20	didn't understand why if they are being told to stay
20	A That would be a conversation with her and her	21	there, why they wouldn't be paid.
21	supervisor, John Waugh.	22	
	<ul><li>Q But H.R. doesn't question it. Correct?</li><li>A We do not question the running of their business.</li></ul>	23	Q Well, let's say that they are just not paid for those lunch periods, but they are still required to
22	A We do not question the running of their business.	1 43	mose funch periods, but they are sun required to
23		24	
1	Q So it's Ms. Bork who determines the schedule? A Correct.	24 25	remain at the facility.  A That should not be occurring.

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1	A Not for walking off the job, no.	1 A It's situation-dependent, but it is a Group 2
2	Q What about no call/no show?	2 violation, so it could be up to and including
3	MR. MIGLIO: What aboutwhat is the	3 termination.
4	question? What about no call/no show? Object to	4 Q Well, the same thing you testifiedsame thing is in
5	the form of that.	5 effect for a no call/no show. Right?
6	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Can you think of a single	6 A No. That is incorrect.
7	circumstance thatwhere someone has been	7 Q So okay. Your earlier testimony was given in error,
8	immediately terminated for being a no call/no show,	8 that no call/no show is a Group 2 violation?
9	where there were no other circumstances that	9 MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form of
10	required a lesser penalty?	10 the question.
11	MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form of	11 THE WITNESS: No. It was correct. A
12	the question. It doesn't even make sense.	12 Group 2 violation does not mean automatic
13	THE WITNESS: I'm confused by that	termination. Group 2 violation means that you can
14	question. I'm sorry.	14 skip steps.
15	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Okay. Let me repeat. So let's say	15 Q (By Mr. Flynn) Okay. So but it's a situationit
16	you have a situation where someone is a no call/no	is dependent upon the situation, just like as with
17	show. Correct?	walking off the job or whatever you want to use in
18	A Correct.	18 its place. Correct?
19	Q So if someone is a no call/no show, you have	19 A Correct.
20	testified it's a Group 2 violation. Correct?	Q So now I'm trying to figure out, well, what
21	A Correct.	situations would call for less than termination for
22	Q And so would that warrant immediate termination?	22 walking off the job, or whatever equivalent there 23 is?
23	A No.	i e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
24	Q Why would that not warrant immediate termination?	24 A Again, as I mentioned 25 MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form of
25	A Because the policy says that a no call/no show is an	25 MR. MIGLIO. Objection as to the form of
and the second s	Page 46	Page 48
1	automatic written warning with suspension.	the question, "or whatever equivalent there is."
2	Q And what policy are you referring to?	2 THE WITNESS: I cannot think of any
3	A 5.17, the Corrective Action Policy, as well as the	3 mitigating circumstances where we have waived
4	Attendance Policy, and I'm sorry, I believe actually	4 termination for that.
5	it is just the Attendance Policy. I'm not positive	5 Q (By Mr. Flynn) Okay, but some may exist. You just
6	about 5.17, now that I think of it, but I know it is	6 can't recall right now?
7	in the Attendance Policy.	7 A I have never seen that situation occur during my
8	Q Where would I find the policy in walking off the	8 time there with my departments.
9	job?	9 Q Give me an example of someone walking off the job.
10	A The actual verbiage of walking off the job is not in	Can you think of a single employee who was
11	the system-wide Corrective Action Policy, 5.17.	terminated for walking off the job?
12	There are other aspects, such as leaving your	12 MR. MIGLIO: Which question are you
13	assigned work area, that are in there.	13 asking?
14	For the lab, the lab has their own policy	14 MR. FLYNN: She looked confused, so I clarified.
15	on that.	
16 17	Q So now what I'm asking you is, for whatwhat is in	think of a single employee who walking off the
18	there instead of walking off the job?  A Things such as being in your assigned work area.	18 jobis that
19		19 Q (By Mr. Flynn) Again my question is, can you think
20	Q Anything else? A I would have to review the policy to see specific	of a single example of an employee who was
21	verbiage.	21 terminated for walking off the job?
22	Q So that's all you can think of right now?	22 A I know that there have been numerous ones that we
23	A For the 5.17, correct.	23 havethat have occurred that we have terminated
24	O Okay, and what is the penalty for not being in your	24 for.
25	assigned work area?	25 Q Who?
	morgane trork areas	

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1	Α	I cannot think of specific names right off the top	1	Q	And do you recall whether or not those situations
2		of my head, no.	2		were specifically just for walking off the job?
3	Q	So you can't give me a specific example?	3	A	I do not recall the situations at all, so I do not
4	Α	I cannot.	4		recall the specifics.
5	Q	And can you recall any of the specific circumstances	5	Q	Let me ask you this. Henry Ford has a policy
6		related to any of those individuals?	6		against falsifying time records. Correct?
7	Α	Not at this time, no.	7		That is correct.
8	Q	What is the regular progressive discipline policy	8,		Is that part of your integrity policy?
9		for Group 2 violations?	. 9	Α	I'm not positive which policy it is part of.
10		I'm sorry. I don't understand what you mean.	10	Q	•
11	Q	Okay. Well, do you know what progressive discipline	11		employee committing fraud in regards to their time
12		is?	12		records. Correct?
13		I do.	13		Correct.
14	Q	What is the progressive discipline policy for Group	14	Q	What are
15		2 violations? What order of the disciplines,	15		MR. FLYNN: Do you have an objection?
16		starting from less severe to most severe?	16		MR. MIGLIO: Before you go ahead and
17	Α	The discipline track is written warningI'm sorry,	17		answer, let me just take a pause so I can voice an
18		documented counseling, written warning, written	18		objection, so I'm not speaking over you.
19		warning with suspension and then termination.	19		MR. FLYNN: Okay. Did you have an
20		So the policy forthe procedure for a	20		objection, or did you just want to stop my line of
21		Group 2 is that depending on the situation you can	21		questioning?
22	_	skip steps. You don't have to go one to the next.	22		MR. MIGLIO: No. It was objectionable.
23	Q	And you have testified you can't think of the	23		MR. FLYNN: Okay. Well, you haven't put
24		circumstances as of today. Correct?	24 25		an objection on the record, so the next question-
25	· A	The circumstances for what? I'm sorry.	25		MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to form and
May had tope personnel development	y	Page 50			Page 52
1	o	Skipping from no discipline on the employee's record	1		foundation.
2	_	to immediate termination?	2	Q	(By Mr. Flynn) Okay. Next question.
3	Α	There have been many circumstances where wethere	3		MR. MIGLIO: Most of them are too.
4		have been no circumstances, as I testified, that we	4		MR. FLYNN: That isthank you for that.
5		would waive termination for walking off the job.	5		MR. MIGLIO: I'm just letting you know, in
6	Q	What do you mean "waive termination"?	6		case you want to conform yourself.
7	Α	Where we have done anything other than termination	7		MR. FLYNN: Well, I don't think I need to.
8		for walking off the job.	8		The fact that you keep objecting on these improper
9	Q	And these individuals, you can't recall any of their	9		bases indicates that I don't need to.
10		names?	10	Q	(By Mr. Flynn) So what is the mostis
11		I cannot, not at this time.	11		falsification of a time record a Group 2 violation?
12	Q	And you can't recall any of the circumstances	12	A	· ·
13		involving their termination?	1.3		It's a pretty severe violation. Correct?
14	A	I would have to go back and review my files. This	14	A	Yes.
15	_	wasit has been awhile ago.	15	Q	
16	Q		16		violations? Like is one more severe than another?
17	A	I don't recall who they were, let alone their past	17		It would be depending on the situation.
18	^	work record. I'm sorry.	18 19	Q	• •
19	Q	Do you recall how many disciplines that they had	20	А	serious ones. Right? Yes.
20		before termination?	21	A 0	
21 22	A	Again, I don't recall the situations, so I don't remember the specifics of the situations.	22	A	Depends on the situation.
23	_	Do you recall whether or not they received any kind	23	0	
24	Ų	of written or verbal counseling?	24	· V	would be more severe?
6- 'I		or arrecent or verbar compening.	1		
25	А	No.	25	Α	It depends on the staffing. If it compromised

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1	Α	It's different every time.	1	One.	
2		It's different every time. Who are the managers who	2	2 So the em	ployer could be without any notice that an
3	-	are on the committee?	3	employee is	s not going to report to their shift, and
4	Α	Different every time.	4	yet that em	ployee would still only receive one
5	Q	And who would you select from in terms of managers?	5	occurrence	?
6	Α	I'm sorry. I don't understand that.	6		currence and then it's one incident, but
7	Q	Well, would it be across Henry Ford Health System?	7		itself issue is warranting a written
8	Α	It would be only at the Detroit location unless it	8		th suspension.
9		was, you know, a special circumstance.	9		y occurrences before you're terminated?
10		Could it be H.R. managers?	10		where you are in the corrective action
11	Α	No. H.R. facilitates the process. We cannot sit on	11	path.	
12		the board.	12		e at the beginning?
13	Q	How far up does eligibility go? Could the CEO be on	13		the beginning?
14		the committee?	14	~	n't even received a verbal or written
15		No, no. It stops at the senior leader level.	15	warning ye	
16	-	And who are the senior leaders?	16		three occurrences in 30 days, you are
17	Α	There is numerous senior leaders. For instance,	17		t your first corrective action. If then
18		John Waugh could not be on that committee, so	18		aree in 30 or four in 90 or seven at 160,
19		anybody that is a Vice President or CEO, CFO, CNO,	19		ng to get your next corrective action.
20		they are not going to be sitting on that panel.	20		keeps bumping up, based off of where you
21	Q	Fiona or Martha could be on the committee?	21	are on the-	· · ·
22	Α		22	A Correct.	
23	Q	What is the policy for absenteeism regarding	23	_	ot you. Are lunches mandatory at Henry
24		progressive discipline? Could you just go through	24		e lab outreach?
25		the progressive discipline track?	25	A Mandatory	y? No.
1	A	Page 58  Yes. So it's the documented counseling, written	1	Okay. So	Page 60 you are not required to take a lunch?
2	7 1	warning, written warning with suspension, and then	2	A No.	<b>,</b>
3		termination. Everything is all on one track.	3	) So if some	one said that a phlebotomist was required
4	0	Okay, and I've heard a term used in documents, an	4		nch, an unpaid lunch, that would be an
5	~	"occurrence." What is an "occurrence"?	5	error?	•
6	Α	If you were late for work, that would be one	6	A It would be	e semantics to be honest, because there
7		occurrence, if you didn't show up. "Occurrence"	7	are timesit	t's highly encouraged. It's what our
8		means time or situation, event.	8		hat they take a lunch, but we
9	0	So are there absentee violations that may be worth	9	understand t	that there are times for patient care
10	•	less than an occurrence?	10		that does not happen.
11	A	Yes. For tardies, if a person is less than a half	11	So if i	it is going to compromise patient
12		an hour late, it's a half of an occurrence.	12	care, they ar	re not mandated to take that lunch.
13	Q	What if they take a half-an-hour break? What would	13		ney just went and took a lunch after the
1.4		that be?	14		ume went down?
15	A	Their break period?	15		MIGLIO: Objection to the form of the
16	Q		16	•	o what? What is your
17	A	•	17		lynn) You can answer the question.
18	Q	•	18		lerstand the question. I'm sorry.
19	A		19		ell, let's dissect a little bit about what
20	Q		- 20		id. So you mentioned that if something
21	A	•	21	-	sesif their lunch would compromise patient
22		that's fine, but otherwise it could be looked at as	22		it may be elective. Correct?
23		half of an occurrence for returning late.	23	A Correct.	1114
0.4	C	And you mentioned no call/no show. How many	24 25		uld it jeopardize patient care? MIGLIO: Objection as to form and
24 25	`	occurrences is a no call/no show?			MICI IO. Objection on to forms

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1	foundation.	1 A An unpaid lunch so that they can leave.	
2	THE WITNESS: For a variety of different	2 Q And what is the significance of that?	
3	patient needs.	3 MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form of	
4	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Like what?	4 the question. Significance as to what?	
5	A For instance, if they are the only person there and	5 MR. FLYNN: Them leaving.	
6	a patient needs to be assisted.	6 MR. MIGLIO: Asked and answered. Go	
7	Q So if a patient is there, you are going to have to	7 ahead. You can answer it again.	
8	hold off on your lunch?	8 THE WITNESS: The significance of them	
9	A Correct.	9 leaving?	
10	Q What if there is nobody there?	10 Q (By Mr. Flynn) Yeah. Why is it significant whethe	r
11	A If there is nobody there, then it depends when your	or not they leave for Henry Ford's policy?	
12	break time is, but there shouldif there is nobody	12 A It's not significant, but if they are leaving, then	
13	there, there should be no reason why you wouldn't be	they know that they are not going to be, you know,	
14	able to take that break.	14 called over.	
15	Q Got you. Now you mentioned Henry Ford has a policy	15 It's their time to do what they want, so	
16	promoting the use of unpaid lunches. Is that	if they want to leave, they can leave. So that's	
17	correct?	17 why it is unpaid.	
18	A I do not recall saying that.	Q Okay. Well, you could pay them to leave to go to	
19	MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form.	lunch, but you choose not to. Why is that?	
20	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Okay. Maybe I missed	MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form of	
21	REPORTER: Mr. Miglio, do you have an	21 the question, mischaracterizes her testimony. I	
22	objection?	don't understand how itshe is paying	
23	MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to form and	23 MR. FLYNN: Counsel, you put your	
24	foundation.	24 objection on the record. Let her answer.	
25	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Maybe I'm mis-stating what you said,	25 MR. MIGLIO: No. It	
	(b) harrym, hayou in mis suring mine you sure,		
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1	so let me parse that out. You mentioned that Henry	1 Q (By Mr. Flynn) My question was, you could pay them	
2	Ford has a policy where you encourage employees to	2 to go to lunch. Correct?	
3	take lunch. Correct?	3 MR. MIGLIO: Objection as to the form of	
4	A There is not a policy that encourages it. It is our	4 the question. Who is "you"?	
5	practice.	5 Q (By Mr. Flynn) You couldHenry Ford could pay the	m
6	Q Oh, I'm sorry. Practice.	6 to leave and go take their lunch. Correct? That's	
7	A Yes.	7 a possibility?	
8	Q You have a practice that you encourage employees to	8 A Sure, yes.	
9	take a lunch.	9 Q Well, why don'twhy is it that it is going to be	
10	A Correct.	10 unpaid, as opposed to paid?	
11	Q What is the rationale for that practice?	11 A They are already given a half an hour paid break	
12	A Wellness.	time, so if they are unable to take their lunch,	
13	Q And what do you mean by "wellness"?	then that half an hour is paid, but if they are able	
14	A Given time to step away for a few minutes to be able	to take their lunch, then it is a half an hour	
15	towhether it's to get some sustenance, to get	15 unpaid.	
16	something to drink, just to be able to take some	16 Q Okay, but again, you could pay them for their	
17	time to decompress.	breaks, or you could pay them for lunch, or you	
18	Q Any other reasons for that practice?	18 could do both. Right?	
19	A For the patients. Weto ensure that the employees	19 A Correct.	
20	aren't running themselves down and that they have	Q Why do you choose to pay them for break time but not	t
21	had some time away and can come back refreshed.	21 for the 30-minute lunch?	
22	Q Any other reasons for the practice?	22 A That wasn't my decision.	
23	A Not that I can think of.	Q So you are not aware of why that decision was made?	
24	Q Why is the policy that employees will receive an	24 A Correct.	
25	unpaid lunch, as opposed to a paid lunch?	Q Has there ever been any issues regarding overtime in	
23 24	<ul><li>A Not that I can think of.</li><li>Q Why is the policy that employees will receive an</li></ul>	23 Q So you are not aware of why that decision was no 24 A Correct.	

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1	John?	1	that there was no validity that I foundin fact, I
2	A Yes.	2	found it to be disingenuousthe claim on the issue
3	O What other conversations?	3	of perjury.
4	A I had regular updates with John, as he is the main	4	So again, as status updates like that came
5	V.P. that I supported, Vice President that I	5	along, I would call and tell him.
6	supported.	6	Q But that all happened in one meeting?
7	Q About Ms. Reeser?	7	A No.
8	A About Ms. Reeser, about the investigation, about	8	Q So I'm trying to just ask about what happened at the
9	anything that goes on in his lab.	9	second meeting.
10	Q How often would you have discussions with John abou	10	A And as I mentioned, I do not recall specific
11	Ms. Reeser about this situation?	11	chronology of things. As things came up, I would
12	A I kept him updated as thingsas new information	12	call John and let him know.
13	came forth. So whether it was about the amount that	13	Q Do you recall any conversation during any of these
14	we were going to need to pay her from the breaks,	14	meetings about Fiona Bork?
15	about the process of moving forward with lunch	15	A Specifically?
16	breaks being covered moving on, whether it was about	16	Q Did he say anything about Fiona Bork or express an
17	what I found out about the perjury claim.	17	opinion about her?
18	Any update that came along, I called John	18	A No.
19	and let him know.	19	Q Did you get any opinion or sense of what he was
20	Q Do you remember any specific conversations to that	20	thinking in regards to Ms. Reeser?
21	effect?	21	A During these conversations with the follow-up before
22	A Yes.	22	the job abandonment, you mean?
23	Q How many can you recall?	23	Q Before her suspension?
24	A At least four or five.	24	A Before her suspension? No. There was nowhen I
25	Q Let's go through each one of them.	25	was speaking with him about these updates, it was
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1	A I don't remember specifics. Like I said, I had	1	more the concern of, "What are we going to do to
2	regular updates with John, so you know, it's a	2	correct this?"
3	three-minute conversation.	3	Q Okay.
4	I would say, "Hey, this is what I found	4	A And in regards to Fiona, the only sense that I
5	out. I'll keep you posted," so I don't have records	5	received from him was that he was very happy with
6	of dates and times with him.	6	how quickly she was able to pull the two monthstwo
7	It's my normal business protocol with	7	years worth of documentation together and how
8	John, whether it was about Natalie or any of the	8	quickly she was trying to correct this.
9	other employees or situations in the lab.	9	Q Do you know what the hang-up was though when it came
10	Q Well, you said that you could recall four to five	10	to gettingto scheduling the time to notify the
11	conversations. Right? So we got one of them. When	1	physicians' patients that there was going to be a
12	is the next one?	12	change in policy?
13	A Again, like I said, I do not know the dates or the	13	A It wasn't trying to get a schedule with them. It
14	times.	14	was them having to reach out to their patients.
15	Q What was discussed during the next one?	15	Q So why couldn't that have happened like immediately
16	A An update on whatever the situation was.	16	after this issue had been raised?
17	Q And what do you recall saying to John?	17	A I was not a part of those conversations. The
18	A I remember giving him updates on the fact that we	18	conversations that they have with the physicians and
19	were working with Payroll to find out the	19	their physicians' patients are not something that I
20	compensation, giving updates to let him know that I	20	participate in.
21	was working with Fiona to find out the scheduling,	21	Q Okay, and you never asked?
22	to see not only when Ms. Reeser was working but when	ì	A I asked for status updates, as I mentioned.
23	other employees were covering her as well, because	23	Q And she didn't indicate what the delay was about
24	they would need to get the back pay as well.	24	though. Right?
25	I would give him updates about the fact	25	A She did, that they were trying to work with the
	i would zive min abadies about the last	, ZJ	A DIR GIG, HIGH HICK WOLD HAVING TO WOLK WITH HIC

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1	question that was asked.	1	MR. FLYNN: Do you have a copy of Exhibit
2	Then if the witness says, "I'm still	2	6 there, Counsel?
3	responding to that question," permit the continued	3	MR. MIGLIO: I don't know. Did you give
4	response.	4	me one?
5	If the witness accepts the argument that	5	MR. FLYNN: I thought I did.
6		6	Q (By Mr. Flynn) All right. You have the document
7	this is beyond the scope of the question, then the	7	marked Exhibit 6 in front of you, ma'am?
ı	witness should stop, and if Mr. Miglio believes that	8	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
8	there should be some supplementation in order to	ł	A I do.
9	complete the record on that response, he should	9	Q Have you had time to review it? A I have.
10	follow up on cross-examination with it.	10	
11	Then I think that is the best way to get	11	Q Do you recall this E-mail?
12	through this issue. There is always a lot of gray	12	A Yes.
13	area in examinations, and things are a little	13	Q Did you have any conversations about this E-mail?
14	fuzzier in depositions than they are at trials, but	14	A I spoke with Fiona.
15	that is what I would suggest that the two of you do	15	Q And when did you speak with Fiona?
16	to get past this issue.	16	A I don't have the date.
17	Just clarify with the witness what the	17	Q Could it have been the same day?
18	question is. If the witness appears to be going	18	A It could have been.
19	beyond the scope of that and if the witness says,	19	Q And do you recall what was said?
20	"This is part of my response," I think the witness	20	A I reiterated that she needed to be paid for her
21	should be permitted to complete the response.	21	lunch.
22	If the witness acknowledges that is beyond	22	(At 2:07 p.m., Plaintiff's
23	the scope of, say, the response as the question was	23	Deposition Exhibit 7 marked)
24	intended, that would be the end of it, and if Mr.	24	Q (By Mr. Flynn) Have you reviewed it?
25	Miglio thinks that there is more that should be	25	A I have.
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1	brought out, in fairness that can be accomplished on	1	Q · What does this appear to be?
2	cross-examination.	2	A This appears to be an E-mail from me to the Manager
3	MR. FLYNN: Thank you, Your Honor.	3	of Payroll, informing her that a back payment is
4	MR. MIGLIO: So we are going to have some	4	going to be necessary and we need to start working
5	clarification if there isn't what you think the	5	on the calculations.
6	answer is what it should be. Right? That's how	6	Q Is that Becky?
7	we'll proceed?	7	A Becky Woodring is the Manager of Payroll.
8	If you think she is not answering the	8	REPORTER: Becky
9	question, you will ask her whether she is answering	9	THE WITNESS: Woodring, W-O-O-D-R-I-N-G.
10	the question to make sure she is	10	Q (By Mr. Flynn) You have a question here that says
11	MR. FLYNN: I mean, we're going to proceed	11	in the first paragraph:
12	the way that Court just instructed us to proceed.	12	"Is she the only employee working at
13	MR. MIGLIO: Yeah. Well, I thoughtI'm	13	one of our outpatient lab client sites and
14	hoping you heard what I heard. That's all.	14	has not had the ability to close the office
15	MR. FLYNN: I don't have any questions for	15	or have relief for lunch."
16	the Court. I think that that is how we should	16	That is a question. Right?
17	proceed.	17	A That is correct.
18	MR. MIGLIO: All right. Thank you, Judge.	18	Q Was this question ever answered?
19	JUDGE HLUCHANIUK: All right, gentlemen.	19	A Yes.
20	MR. FLYNN: Thank you, Judge.	20	Q Who answered it?
21	JUDGE HLUCHANIUK: Have a good day.	21	A Fiona.
22	MR. FLYNN: You too.	22	Q So not Becky?
23	(At 2:06 pm., telephone call concluded)	23	A No, not Becky.
24	(At 2:06 p.m., Plaintiff's	24	Q And what did Fiona say?
25	Deposition Exhibit 6 marked)	25	A Fiona gave me the names and the schedules of the
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1	other individuals who had also worked there, and we	1	pay."
2	reimbursed them as well.	2 <b>I</b>	Do you see that?
3	Q Do you recall who they were?	3 A	Yes.
4	A No. You had asked that before. I said no.	4 <b>Q</b>	Why did you want to do both of those before she
5	Q Now I'm looking down a little bit further, and it	5 r	received the retro pay?
6	looks like this was also addressed to Fiona. It	6 A	So that she knew what she was getting.
7	says:	7 <b>Q</b>	Okay. So
8	"Fiona, I have indicated on the	8 A	I wanted to be able to say, "Yes, it's complete, and
9	spreadsheet the actual days that Natalie	9 h	nere is what we are putting into your account."
10	was off and thus other coverage may have	10 <b>Q</b>	Yeah, but having the retro pay, how did that prevent
11	been placed at this site."	11 <b>y</b>	you fromI guess my question is, why were the two
12	Do you see that?	12 <b>t</b>	ied together in this sentence?
13	A Yes.	13 A	I guess my question is, why would they not be?
14	Q What is the spreadsheet you are referring to?		Okay. Wasn't she terminated for taking her lunch?
15	A The spreadsheets of the different days of coverage.		No, not at all.
16	Q What do youis this a document you prepared?		She didn't request a lunch at the time?
17	A Yes.		She didn't get approval to lock the doors and
18	Q And did you prepare it for the purposes of this		abandon the facility. That's why she was
19	investigation?		erminated. It had nothing to do with the lunch.
20	A For the back payments.		Did she request the lunch though?
21	Q Okay. Any reason why other coverage was not placed		She sent an E-mail.
22	at the site?	22 <b>Q</b>	So and she said, "I'm going on lunch." Right?
23	A Other coverage was placed at the site. That's why	23 A	She did not ask for approval. She did not wait for
24	we had to issue back pay for the other individuals		approval. She sent an E-mail and left two minutes
25	as well.		and ten seconds later.
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1	Q Okay. I'm just wondering	_	Okay. Well
2	A I just needed the information as to who was covering		She did not try to call. She did not try to contact
3	and what days they covered, so that we know how to		anybody through the appropriate channels. That's
4	pay them.		why she was let go.
5	Q So I'm looking at this incorrectly. It says:		So she didn't contact Fiona?
6	"Thus other coverage may have been		E-mail is not the way to get approval for something
7	placed at the site."		that you need urgently.
8	Was therewhat was your rationale for thinking that	_	Okay.
9	there may not have been coverage?		A two-minute and ten-second response time is not realistic in anybody's view of
10	A There was no rationale. There was no thought		Let's go through the events that you discovered from
11	process that there wasn't.		February 25th. On February 25th, what is the first
12	Q And you had indicated that the other employees that		you heard about this situation developing with
13	were discovered, they received compensation because		you neard about this situation developing with Natalie?
14	of Reeser's report?  A No, because we found out that they weren't getting		I received an E-mail from Fiona. Fiona had
15			forwarded me Natalie's E-mail, saying that she
16	paid.		needed a break and that she was leaving, and that
17	Q But the only reason that that came to light was		she was
18	because Reeser complained about it?	19	I don't recall the E-mail, if it said that
19	A That is correct.		she was locking the facility or not. Fiona had
20	Q And it says herethere is in the fourththe last		forwarded that E-mail to me, asking if that was
21	sentence in the fourth paragraph, it says:		something that she could do.
22 23	"Note - we would like to be able to discuss the final amount as well as future		And did you respond to that E-mail?
23 24	plans for ensuring a lunch period with the	23 <b>Q</b> 24 A	I called her.
24 25	employee prior to her receiving the retro	25 <b>O</b>	And what was discussed via the telephone call?
25	employee prior to her receiving the retro	25 Q	ring man mas discussed that the telephone can.

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1	A I asked her to fill me in on what exactly happened,	1	confused about Natalie's conversations with Martha.
2	what was the timeframe, if there was anything that	2	What conversations are you referring to?
3	Marthaif Martha was at the site, if there is	3	Q I'm not asking you that. I'm asking you whether or
4	anything that Martha knew.	4	not you had any conversation with Ms. Reeser about
5	I asked if she truly did leave like she	5	any conversations that took place between Natalie
6	said that she was going to. Fiona asked me if that	6	and Martha.
7	was something that was acceptable, can she just do	7	A No.
8	that.	8	Q Okay. Then did you
9	When I found out that there was no waiting	9	A I asked her if she spoke with her before she left.
10	for approval, she did not follow the proper protocol	10	Q When did you ask her that?
11	to be able to get approval, then we had discussed	11	A Duringafter Natalie had called me, after she had
12	suspending her pending an investigation.	12	been suspended, right immediately after she left the
13	Q Let's take each one of those. You had a couple	13	facility. She called me very upset, and I asked her
14	several questions for Fiona. Your first question	14	before she left if she had had any conversations
15	that you asked her was what?	15	with Martha.
16	A My first question was did she really indeed leave	16	She told me no. That was the only
17	the facility and leave it unattended.	17	conversation I was concerned about at that point.
18	Q And what did Fiona say?	18	Q Did youso you are saying that any assertion made
19	A She said yes, she did.	19	by Plaintiff that she had a conversation with Martha
20	Q When did you make this phone call to Fiona?	20	is false?
21	A After I got Fiona's E-mail.	21	A I'm not sure. I'm saying that if she is saying that
22	Q Was it immediately after she had sent you the	22	there was a conversation between when the E-mail was
23	E-mail?	23	sent and the two minutes and ten seconds between
24	A It was maybe within three, four minutes.	24	when she left, both Martha and Natalie had told me
25	Q So you talked to Fiona, and you asked that question.	25	there was no conversation that had occurred during
	2 So you shines so a son, and you		
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1	She said, "Yeah, she left."	1	that two-minute time span.
2	A Correct.	2	Q What about
3	Q The second question was, was Martha there, was she	3	A She may have had previous conversations earlier that
4	aware of anything. Right?	4	morning. That is not what I'm referring to.
5	A Correct.	5	Q Okay. Did you ever request any conversations that
6	Q What did she say?	6	she had earlier in the day with Ms. Reeser?
7 -	A She said that Martha was there, that she got the	7	A No.
8	same E-mail, that she was in the back office on a	8	Q Did she ever indicate that she had-did Ms. Reeser
9	call, on an EPIC call, and that therethat was all	9	ever indicate that she had had conversations with
10	the information that she had had, that there was	10	Martha earlier that day?
11	Natalie did not go in and say, "I need to	11	A I don't recall.
12	leave. Is there any other way to get a hold of	12	Q She could have, but you don't recall?
13	Fiona" or anything like that. She just sent the	13	A Correct.
14	E-mail, went and got her belongings and left.	14	Q Then you went on to say that during this
15	Q And in your subsequent investigation of this, did	15	conversation with Fiona Bork that you had asked
16	you ever talk to Ms. Reeser about what Martha had	16	several other questions. What other questions did
17	told her, about any conversation she had with Martha	17	you ask Ms. Bork?
18	that day?	18	So we got the question did she wait. We
I	A I'm not sure what conversations you are referring	19	got the question was Martha aware of anything. What
19	4-	20	else did you ask her that day?
19 20	to.	1 01	A I asked her if she had triedif there was any
	Q Well, okay. In your discussions following this, did	21	
20		22	record on Fiona's cell phone of her trying to call
20 21	Q Well, okay. In your discussions following this, did	22 23	record on Fiona's cell phone of her trying to call her cell phone, making an attempt to call her. I
20 21 22	Q Well, okay. In your discussions following this, did you ever discuss with Ms. Reeser any conversation	22	record on Fiona's cell phone of her trying to call

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1		say?	1	Q	So you can't give me one?
2	Α	She said no, there was no call.	2		Correct.
3	O		3	Q	So okay. After this phone conversation with Ms.
4	~	Correct.	4	_	Bork, what was your involvement later that day?
5	0		5	Α	Natalie called me shortly after that conversation
6	-	She does everything with her cell phone because she	6		with Fiona, was very upset because she had just been
7		travels. That is the number that Natalie always	7		suspended pending investigation.
8		calls her at.	8		I asked her to put all of her information
9	Ω	How do you know that?	9		in writing to me. I explained to her that I needed
		Because that is her main contact. That is her only	10		a statement from her so that we can gather all of
10	A		1		
11		number. There is no office line. Her office line	11		the data to be able to make the appropriate
12	_	is her cell.	12		decision.
13	Q	But at the time she only indicated her personal cell	13		There were specific items that Mrs. Reeser
1.4		phone?	14		had mentioned that I said, "Please make sure you put
15	Α	No, her work cell phone. I never said personal cell	15		this in your statement."
16		phone.	16		Specifically she said that she had done
17		Her work cell phone. I'm sorry?	17		that exact same act of walking off and locking the
18	Α	I never said personal cell phone. Her work cell	18		door in the past, and that she had had permission to
19		phone.	19		do it, and that it at that time was not viewed as
20	Q	She has a personal cell phone too. Correct?	20		job abandonment.
21		I have noI do not know if she has a personal one	21		So I asked her to give me those examples.
22		or not.	22		I said, "Do you know who you received the
23	O	Did you ask whether any call had been placed to	23		authorization from? Do you know when you did it?"
24	~	Fiona that day?	24		She said yes. I said, "Then please make
25	Α	Yes. That is what I had said.	25		sure that that is in your statement." When the
~~~~		Too. That is what I had said.		anaka siiroo ka ahada dhahaba sa aa	
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1	Q	And she said, "Not to my work cell phone"?	1		statement came in, none of that information was in
2	Α	She said, "There has been no call placed to me."	2		there, so I asked for follow-up information.
3	Q	Okay. Well, that changed your story a little bit.	3	Q	Did she indicate that she had had any conversation
4	Α	No, it did not.	4		with Fiona that day?
5	Q	Anything else that was asked during that phone	5	Α	I do not recall.
6		conversation?	6	Q	It could have happened, but you don't remember?
7	Α	Not that I can recall.	7	Α	Correct.
8	Q		8	Q	Did she indicate she had a conversation with Martha
9	~	conversation?	9	`	Wiseheart that day?
10	А	That we would suspend pending investigation and be	10	Α	I do not recall.
11		able to then gather not only Natalie's information,	11		
12		a statement from her, but then any other information	12	Ā	That is correct.
13		that we needed.	13		Anything else you can remember about that
14	^		14	_	conversation?
1	Q	·	15	Α	With Ms. Reeser?
15	A		16		
16	Q		17	Q	Just that she was very upset, and I asked her to get
17	A		i .		
18		appropriate based on other similar situations that	18		her statement to me as quickly as possible so that
19		have occurred, what I would recommend in this	19		we could proceed.
20		situation.	20		Were you writing out notes at the time?
21	Q		21		No, I was not.
22	Α		22	Q	Any other conversation that took place that day
	0	Can you give me a specific example?	23		regarding Ms. Reeser?
23					
		We have already discussed this. I do not recall the specific examples.	24 25	Α	I believe I then spoke with Fiona and let her know that I had received the call from Natalie. Yes, I

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1	did. I called Fiona and wanted to find out how	1	Q Well, in the meanwhile, why wasn't something done to
2	things went.	2	address the fact that Reeser wasn't being allowed to
3	I said, "I just heard from Natalie as	3	go on lunch at all?
4	well, and I have asked for her statement, and once	4	A As we have discussed four or five times, we wanted
5	we get her statement, then we will be able to	5	to do this holistically, and we wanted to make sure
6	proceed forward."	6	that the physicians were on board because we are
7	Q And anything else said during that conversation?	7	servicing their site.
8	A I don't believe so.	8	This is not a Henry Ford site, and if we
9	Q When was this conversation?	9	do this improperly we are going to lose that
10	A I'm not sure what the timeframe was. It was	10	contract with those physicians.
11	sometime still during business hours that day, the		Q Well, why couldn't havesomeone just have been
12	day of the 25th.	12	called over to cover for her during lunch?
13	Q Did Fiona say anything in response?	13	A Based on their scheduling as well. It's not just a
14	A No.	14	matter of coming over and you're going to spend a
15	(At 2:23 p.m., Plaintiff's	15	half an hour there.
16	Deposition Exhibit 8 marked)	16	We have travel time. We have arrangements
17	Q (By Mr. Flynn) This jumps us back to February 7th.	17	that need to be made on their end as well. So we
18	Do you see that?	18	wanted to do this holistically and make sure that
19	A Yes. Thank you.	19	everything was done and done properly.
20	Q Let me know when you are done reviewing.	20	Q Did you ask that question? Did you ever ask
21	A I'm done.		A I did.
22	Q This iswhat does this E-mail appear to be?	22	Q Did you ever ask Fiona why you didn't bring over
23	A This is an E-mail that is from Fiona to myself and	23	coverage?
24	John Waugh regarding my request for information on	24	A I did.
25	the work schedules.	25	Q And what did she say?
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1	This was regarding trying to find out what	1	A Because they would then need to add other staffing
2	other employees had been working at the site on days	2	there.
3	that Natalie had off, as well as Natalie's final	3	Q Okay, but you just said that they rotate at the
4	schedules as well.	4	other facilities.
5	Q Now Fiona says here:	5	A They rotate at the other facilities to be able to
6	"This is a time consuming task that I	6	cover for their lunches there, based on their
7	am willing to do. However, I may not have	7	schedules, if we are talking the Shelby Township
8	it done before I leave tomorrow for vacation."	8	site, okay, so
9	Do you see that?	9	Q Or any.
10	A Correct, yes.	10	A The Shelby Township site being the closest one. So
11	Q Did you ever get the impression that Fiona was	11	if you were to bring a person over, you are now
12	annoyed by this task?	12	having to rotate through three lunches if there were
13	A No, no, not at all, because Fiona is one of those	13	two people there, four lunches if there are three
14	people that she wants things done very quickly. So	14	people there, and that is going to
15	my read of this is that her belief was that the	15	To do that on a daily basis was something
16	expectation was that this needed to be done by the	16	that they did not want to have as the long-term
17	time she left the very next day for vacation, which	17	plan.
18	in reality myand I shared this with her.	18	Q Okay, but for the short-term while you're figuring
19	That was not my expectation. You have two	19	this out
20	years worth of schedules that you need to go back,	20	A Again, this was not my decision to make. It was my
21	put into an Excel spreadsheet and log. That is	21	decision to make sure that in the end things were-
22	going to take you more than one business day.	22	she was paid, she was paid appropriately, and we had
23	So this to me was saying, "I will do it.	23	a long-range fix for this.
24	I probably will not have it done before I leave for	24	This was a decision for Fiona and John
25	vacation tomorrow."	25	Waugh.
1			<u> </u>

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1	Q Okay. Do you recall this conversation taking place?	1	appropriate procedure.
2	A That Ithe conversation where I told her that it	2	Q How did you know that?
3	would happen by January 24th?	3	A Because the appropriate procedure is not to E-mail
4	Q Yeah.	4	your manager and then two minutes and ten seconds
5	A Absolutely not. There is no way humanly possible	5	later lock the door and walk out and abandon the
6	that two years worth of back pay can be done in four	6	site.
7	days.	7	Q And where is that? Where is it in writing that this
8	Q Did you ever tell her that conversation never took	8	wasthat she did not follow the appropriate and
9	place?	9	implemented procedures? What procedure?
10	A Absolutely I did.	10	A The procedure that she has from the staff meetings,
11	Q When did you tell her that?	11	for several staff meetings that she had signedthat
12	A When I called her and let her know that I still	12	actually the employees sign that they were there and
13	needed more information from her.	13	the date and the time, and letting them know what
14	Q Okay. Explain that conversation to me. How did	14	the appropriate procedure was if you needed to leave
15	that go?	15	for any reason, how you could not leave the site
16	A I called her. I let her know that I received her	16	unattended, how you needed permission to be able to
17	information, which I had also E-mailed her as well,	17	leave or to get coverage.
18	and I said, "I still need documentation."	18	Q And do you know the number of that policy or
19	As you will see from the E-mail pertaining	19	procedure?
20	to this, I outlined some of the information I still	20	A I do not, but I know that it has been given, because
21	needed. In my phone call to her, I reiterated the	21	Terry had me review it the other day.
22	information that I needed, and I pointed out that	22	MR. MIGLIO: I'm ready for a break if you
23	that was completely erroneous.	23	get to a convenient point.
24	That never was a conversation had by me	24	MR. FLYNN: This is convenient. We can go
25	that I wastold her that that would transpire	25	off the record.
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1	within a four-day timeframe. In fact, there was no	1	(At 3:16 p.m., recess taken)
2	date given to her at all.	2	(At 3:27 p.m., back on the record)
3	Q Did you ever indicatedid you ever memorialize the	3	(At 3:27 p.m., Plaintiff's
4	fact that that was an error on Ms. Reeser's part in	4	Deposition Exhibit 17 marked)
5	writing?	5	Q (By Mr. Flynn) This is a collection of E-mails, and
6	A Memorialize?	6	two of the pages are stapled, but I'm also including
7	Q Yeah. Did you write it down?	7	the third page as the exhibit. Okay?
8	A No. That to me is not the context.	8	A Okay.
9	Q So the answer is no, you didn't write it down?	9	Q And if you could just refer to those, if you could
10	A No, I did not. You have seen it in the E-mails.	10	just go over those real quick and let me know when
11	Q I don't know if that is true or not. Then she goes	11	you're done.
12	on to say at the very end that she was being	12	A (Witness complied).
13	suspended for abandoning her position, and she goes	13	Q What do these appear to be?
14	on to say:	14	A A compilation of E-mails between Fiona and myself.
15	"After following the appropriate and	15	Q And I'm looking at the first page, which was not
16	implemented procedures for taking a break."	16	stapled together with the remainder, so it's HFH
17	Do you see that?	17	606.
18	MR. MIGLIO: Does she see that, what you	18	I'm looking at the first E-mail there from
19	just read?	19	yourself to Fiona. Do you see that?
20	Q (By Mr. Flynn) At the last sentence, do you see	20	A I do.
21	that?	21	Q And it's on February 28th, so this is after Ms.
22	A I do.	22	Reeser was suspended. Correct?
23	Q Did you ever ask her what appropriate and	23	A That is correct.
_	implemented precedures the was referring to?	24	Q And it says:
24 25	implemented procedures she was referring to?  A No, because I knew that she hadn't followed the	25	"Fiona, since we spoke about the need

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1	A I did not.	1		"Martha and I thought we would make one
2	Q And then it says, okayI'm scrolling up from there,	2		big payment for the lunches."
3	and it says from Hood tofrom yourself to Fiona:	3		Do you see that?
4	"Thank you for the clarification."	4	Α	I do.
5	Then it goes up further, and it looks like it's from	5		What did Martha have to do with this decision?
6	Borkor it's from Hood. It's from you to Bork, and	6	-	Because Martha was the one that reviewed the time
7	you carbon copied yourself on it?	7		cards when they came in, and Martha was helping her
8	A Yes.	8		get some of the time cards and the scheduling
9	Q And it says:	9		information together, not that Martha had any
10	"Actually, you can use the date that	10		authority or supervisory capacity. She was just
11	Natalie first started writing `no lunches'	11		helping her.
12	on her time card. That should have been	12		(At 3:35 p.m., Plaintiff's
13	starting the first day she worked after	13		Deposition Exhibit 18 marked)
14	January 20th. Thank you."	14	0	(By Mr. Flynn) So this will be Exhibit 18. Let me
15	Do you see that?	15	V	know when you are done reviewing it.
16	A I do, andI don't understand the chronology. We've	16	Δ	(Witness complied).
17	got the chronology, but it clearly doesn't flow,	17		So first off, after reviewing this, what does it
18	does it?	18	Ų	appear to be?
19	Q Yeah. That is what I was going to ask you about	19	Δ	This is an E-mail from myself to Fiona, trying to
20	actually. Do you recall any conversation prior to	20	А	get some clarification and finalization on my
21	this?	21		investigation.
		22	0	And this is an E-mail from Fiona to you. Correct?
22	A My-this should be here.	23		The top portion.
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25	start with the payment, and I asked her to do-	2.5	А	res, the top portion.
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1	inform Payroll and do one big check.	1	Q	So now one question I have based off of these
2	Q So you are saying that 606 should be at the bottom	2		responses. Why couldn't an arrangement have been
3	of 605. Is that correct?	3		made to cover Reeser's lunch in this situation?
4	A That is correct. That is correct. I don't know why	4	Α	Why couldn't iton this particular day?
5	it came out that way, but it would make much more	5	Ω	Not on this day, but
6	sense after saying we need to make sure to pay her		V	
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20 Q So let me be clear with you. I'm asking what you 20 A I would like you to show me where it did.	
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22 A Absolutely. So what I based it off was the fact  22 says:	
that she never tried to call. There is no 23 "At the meeting on January 20, you	u
24 communication log on the phone. 24 informed me that Fiona stated that yo	
There was no even indication from Natalie 25 would be terminated if you contacted	

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1		1	saying you can't leave the site unattended.
1	she abandoned her position.	2	"If you do need to leave for any reason,
2	Q Okay. (At 4:09 p.m., Plaintiff's	3	here is what you do to secure your own replacement.
4	Deposition Exhibit 21 marked)	4	First you contact me, make sure it's okay." Those
5		5	were the documents that I looked at.
6		6	Q Did you talk to Natalie about it?
7	go. A (Witness reviewed document).	7	A Did I talk to Natalie about this before I wrote
8	Q What is this document?	8	this?
9	A I don't know.	9	Q About the directions for finding a replacement for
10	Q Is that your signature at the bottom?	10	their absence?
11	A It sure is, and I definitely wrote this. I just	11	A No.
12	don't knowI'm honestly not sure if this is	12	Q Did you talk to any of her co-workers about it?
13	something that I had drafted to sendand sent to	13	A No.
14	Terry once we got yourthe information in about the	14	Q Did you talk to Martha Wiseheart about it?
15	lawsuit.	15	A No. I didn't speak with anybody about this. I went
16	Q It says HFH at the bottom, so	16	based off of their past practice and their
17	A Oh, no, absolutely. I mean, I wrote this. It's my	17	department policy, practices.
18	signature. It's my title, and it is obviously a	18	Q And who told you about the past practice?
19	summary. This isI was just going to say this is	19	A The past practice had been laid out for months in
20	something	20	their departmental meetings.
21	This is a summary that we would put	21	Q So you're merely talking about the policy that Bork
22	together for the Appeals Board, and so the only	22	gave you?
23	unless it was something that I drew up in case she	23	A Yes, the departmental procedure.
24	chose to appeal, because I was anticipating that she	24	Q So that's the limit of it?
25	would appeal, using our ADR process.	25	A Well, that and even going back and looking for
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1	So, I mean, it's a summary. It's a	1	months. Fiona had sent me when I requested
2	summary of the termination.	2	information E-mails, any communication as to when
3	Q Did anyone review this?	3	Natalie had previously requested that she needed to
4	A I don't believeI don't know. I don't know,	4	leave or she needed some coverage and how she went
5	because I honestly don't know why I wrote it.	5	about doing that.
6	Q Do you recall if there was an earlier draft?	6	Fiona sent me months worth of
7	A I don't recall.	7	documentation where Natalie did exactly the correct
8	Q It says that:	8	protocol that was outlined in that departmental
9	"This site is staffed by one employee	9	policy.
10	who attends to client needs on a walk-in	10	Q Did those deal with unpaid or paid breaks?
11	basis. For this reason, there is no	11	A Those had to deal with times when she decided that,
12	designated `lunch period' where the office	12	for whatever reasonI'm not saying that they
13	is closed. When a situation arises that	13	weren't valid, but for whatever reasonshe needed
14	the staff member needs to take time away	14 15	to leave or she needed to adjust her schedule.  Q Did any of them deal with lunch?
15	or needs to leave early, they have been	16	
16	given directions on how to find a	17	
17	replacement for their absence. At no	18	Q Do you recall A I guess some of that time would be. I don't recall.
18	time, however, should the office just	19	Q Then you go on and say:
19 20	be closed."	20	"We have no idea how many clients we
20	Before you wrote this, what documents or evidence did you rely on to figure out what	21	lost during this time that she was away."
22	direction should be taken, on directions on how to	22	A Correct.
23	find a replacement for their absence?	23	Q Did you ask Martha?
24	A Based on the departmental policies that Fiona had	24	A No, I did not.
25	already submitted that Natalie had signed off on,	25	Q Wasn't she there? Couldn't she have told you how
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